

## REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

## §112 Rejections

Claims 27-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Office asserts that the claims contain subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. Specifically, the Office asserts that the term “interpreting the command based on the current operation environment of the command line interface” in claim 27 was not described in the specification. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

## **Burden on the Office**

The Office has failed to establish a *prima facie* case of lack of enablement. More particularly, the Office has failed to satisfy its foundational burden for a “lack of enablement” rejection. Therefore, the Office must withdraw the rejections made under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph.

According to MPEP §2164.04, the Office has the initial *burden* to establish a reasonable basis to question enablement in order to make a “lack of enablement” rejection. Applicant specifically notes that the specification is presumed to be enabling. MPEP §2164.04 states that “A specification disclosure which contains a teaching of the manner and process of making and using an invention in terms

1 which correspond in scope to those used in describing and defining the subject  
2 matter sought to be patented *must* be taken as being in compliance with the  
3 enablement requirement of 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, unless there is a reason  
4 to doubt the objective truth of the statements contained therein which must be  
5 relied on for enabling support" (emphasis added). Applicant submits that the  
6 Office has failed to provide a reason to doubt the presumption that the  
7 specification is enabling.

8 Furthermore, MPEP §2164.04 indicates that the language of the  
9 explanation provided by the Office should focus on those factors, reasons, and  
10 evidence that lead the examiner to conclude that the specification fails to teach  
11 how to make and use the claimed invention without undue experimentation, or that  
12 the scope of any enablement provided to one skilled in the art is not commensurate  
13 with the scope of protection sought by the claims. This can be done by making  
14 specific findings of fact, supported by the evidence, and then drawing conclusions  
15 based on these findings of fact. If the examiner believes that information is  
16 missing about one or more essential parts or relationships between parts which one  
17 skilled in the art could not develop without undue experimentation, according to  
18 MPEP §2164.04 "the examiner should *specifically identify* what information is  
19 missing and *why one skilled in the art could not supply the information without*  
20 *undue experimentation*" (emphasis added). Furthermore, according to MPEP  
21 §2164.04, "specific technical reasons [for the rejection] are *always required*"  
22 (emphasis added).

23 The Office has not met the initial *burden* of establishing a reasonable basis  
24 to question enablement. In addition, the Office has failed to give "specific  
25 technical reasons" to support a "lack of enablement" rejection. Instead, the Office

1 simply asserts (Office Action, page 2, par. 2.a.) that the term “interpreting the  
2 command based on the current operation environment of the command line  
3 interface” in claim 27 was not described in the specification.

4 Although it is clear on the face of the assertions and statements provided by  
5 the Office that the Office has failed to meet its burden of establishing a reasonable  
6 basis to question enablement, Applicant nonetheless briefly discusses herein below  
7 how the disclosure, as filed, enables the claimed invention for one skilled in the  
8 art.

9 However, Applicant specifically notes that because the Office did not meet  
10 the fundamental requirements for its 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph rejection,  
11 Applicant has not been given a fair opportunity to respond to the rejection and it  
12 would therefore be inappropriate for the Office to make the next action final.  
13 More specifically, according to MPEP §2164.04 regarding the principles of  
14 compact prosecution, if an enablement rejection is appropriate, the first Office  
15 action on the merits should present the best case with all the relevant reasons,  
16 issues, and evidence so that all such rejections can be withdrawn if applicant  
17 provides appropriate convincing arguments and/or evidence in rebuttal. Providing  
18 the best case in the first Office action will also allow the second Office action to  
19 be made final should applicant fail to provide appropriate convincing arguments  
20 and/or evidence. Citing new references and/or expanding arguments in a second  
21 Office action could prevent that Office action from being made final. The  
22 principles of compact prosecution also dictate that if an enablement rejection is  
23 appropriate and the examiner recognizes limitations that would render the claims  
24 enabled, the examiner should note such limitations to applicant as early in the  
25 prosecution as possible.

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2 The Disclosure, As Filed, Enables The Claimed Invention

3 Applicant's **claim 27** recites

4 A method comprising:  
5 receiving a command through a command line interface;  
6 fetching an alias for the command;  
7 interpreting the command based on the alias and the current  
8 operating environment of the command line interface;  
9 executing the command as one or more WMI API calls against a  
10 target namespace;  
11 receiving WMI data in XML form;  
12 applying an XSL style sheet format the WMI data; and  
13 presenting the WMI data through the command line interface.

14 The Office asserts that the term "interpreting the command based on the  
15 current operation environment of the command line interface" was not described  
16 in the specification. First of all, Applicant's claim recites "interpreting the  
17 command based on *the alias and* the current operating environment of the  
18 command line interface" (emphasis added), and any description of this phrase  
19 should be viewed in its proper context, which includes the entire phrase.

20 Secondly, Applicant's specification clearly describes the claimed subject  
21 matter in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that  
22 the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed  
23 invention. For example, Applicant's specification recites the following at page 17,  
24 line 5 - page 18, line 6:

25 The WMI schema exposed by the WMI infrastructure **400** is  
26 made visible to the user of the WMI command line utility at a  
27 management station **202** through an intermediate alias object. An alias  
28 object is effectively a command that is executed on the command line  
29 utility in order to capture the features of a target WMI class and to  
30 facilitate a specific administrative task, such as managing a system

1 process, configuring a netcard, or discovering CPU utilization. Alias  
2 objects are instances of well-defined, command-related classes that are  
3 organized into a command schema 404, as illustrated in **Fig. 5**. The  
4 command schema 404 drives the WMI command line utility and defines  
5 the commands used in the utility. *That is, the command line utility uses  
6 the class definitions or aliases in the command schema 404 to interpret  
7 the command information entered by a user and apply that command  
8 interpretation against the target WMI schema.*

9 *The WMI command line utility and its underlying command  
10 schema 404 also permit the organization of commands by roles, so that  
11 administrators needing to perform specific administrative tasks are able  
12 to focus on a specific set of commands without being faced with the  
13 complete set of commands that make up the entire command schema  
14 404. The command schema 404 is logically located in a default  
15 namespace structure on the management station 202, although it can  
16 exist in any namespace on any machine and is not limited to the  
17 management station 202. The namespace structure provides a logical  
18 grouping of classes and class instances that is intended to reflect the  
19 organization of a company's operational environment. Since the  
20 operational environment can differ significantly from one company to  
21 the next, it is expected that the corresponding namespace structures will  
22 also vary substantially from one organization to another. Thus, a given  
23 organization is able to organize commands based on suitable  
24 administrative roles by creating logical namespace in which relevant  
25 alias objects or command class instances can be found.*

15 (emphasis added).

16 Thus, the command line utility interprets command information based on  
17 aliases as well as operational environments that indicate how commands are  
18 organized according to administrative roles.

19 Based at least on the above passage from Applicant's specification, it is  
20 clear that claim 27 is supported by a specification that describes the claimed  
21 subject matter such that one skilled in the art to which it pertains is enabled to  
22 make and/or use the invention. The rejection to claim 27 and its dependent claims  
23 28-31 based on 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, should therefore be removed.

1        In addition, Applicant respectfully requests that any future rejections by the  
2 Office which are similarly based on 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, satisfy the  
3 fundamental requirements for such rejections so that Applicant has a full and fair  
4 opportunity to respond specifically to such rejections.

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6 **§103 Rejections**

7        **Claims 1-26, 33 and 37** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly  
8 being unpatentable over US Patent No. 6,629,128 to Glass in view of US Patent  
9 No. 6,560,591 to Memmott et al. (hereinafter, “Memmott”). Applicant respectfully  
10 traverses the rejection.

11        Applicant’s **claim 1** recites:

12        A command line utility embodied in one or more computer-readable  
13 media, the command line utility comprising:

14            an object model command schema to define a mapping  
15 between one or more commands and an object model target schema,  
16 the one or more commands generated by the command schema and  
17 configured to operate against the target schema through the command  
18 line utility.

19        Glass teaches a system for distributed processing in a computer network  
20 that includes, a client side object request broker executing on a client computer  
21 and a server-side object request broker executing on a server computer. The  
22 system provides communications between objects in different address spaces  
23 connected to a common network and generates remote proxies and other objects to  
24 provide communications across the network. The server computer is connected to  
25 the client computer through the network. A remote proxy generator generates  
remote proxy classes for client-side communications support for communications  
between a client application and a server object. The remote proxy generator

1 resides in the server-side object request broker and instantiates the remote proxy  
2 class to create a remote proxy object. A client-side type generator generates a  
3 client side type object for a class of the server object. The client-side type object  
4 provides access to methods of the server object. A client-side function generator  
5 generates one or more client-side function objects for providing a connection to  
6 one or more methods of the server object. The one or more client-side function  
7 objects correspond in number to the one or more methods of the server object. A  
8 client-side reference generator generates a client-side reference object for  
9 encoding messages sent between the remote proxy object and the server object  
10 into a format of a communication protocol used by the server-side object request  
11 broker. The distributed processing system also includes a client-side streamer  
12 generator that generates a set of streamer objects corresponding in number to the  
13 methods of the server object. Each streamer object encodes a method invocation  
14 request for an associated server method into the format of the communicator  
15 protocol used by the server-side object request broker. (col. 3, ln. 66 - col. 4, ln.  
16 49).

17 A server-side local reference generator generates a local reference object  
18 that includes an address of the server object and a type of the server object. A  
19 server-side type generator generates a server-side type object for the class of the  
20 server object. The server-side type address provides access to the methods of the  
21 server object. A server-side function generator generates one or more server-side  
22 function objects corresponding in number to the one or more client-side function  
23 objects. The one or more server-side function objects are linked to the server-side  
24 type object. (col. 4, lns. 29-38).

1       Regarding **claim 1**, the Office asserts, at page 3 of the Office Action, that  
2 “Glass teaches the invention substantially as claimed including: the command line  
3 utility (interface generator 250 is a command line predevelopment utility, col 19,  
4 ln 10-14/ Fig. 3/ 10/11), an object mode[l] command schema (client side type  
5 generator, col 17, ln 54-58/ col 18, ln 47-53), one or more commands (type object  
6 170, col 17, ln 54-58/ function objects 210, col 18, ln 47-53), an object mode[l]  
7 target schema (the method of server object 110, col 17, ln 54-58, col 18, ln 47-53),  
8 an object mode[l] command schema to define correspondence between one ore  
9 [sic] more commands (col 17, ln 50-58/ col 18, ln 47-55), the one or more  
10 commands generated by the command schema and configured to operate against  
11 the target schema through the command line utility (col 17, ln 50-58/ col 18, ln 47-  
12 55)”.

13       Among other things, however, Glass does not teach or suggest “an object  
14 model command schema” as recited in claim 1. The Office asserts that the “client  
15 side type generator” of Glass (col. 17, ln 54-58; col. 18, ln 47-53) teaches “an  
16 object model command schema” as recited in claim 1. However, the “client side  
17 type generator” of Glass is not a schema in any respect. A command schema  
18 includes a collection of classes which forms a template that is used to represent  
19 information about command aliases (Application specification, pg. 20, ln. 12-13).  
20 The command schema follows the industry standard CIM schema, which is a way  
21 to express management information that relies on inheritance and other object-  
22 oriented features for the reuse and standardization of object classes representing  
23 system devices. Schemas make significant use of inheritance to allow applications  
24 to treat groups of similar objects in the same way.

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1 By contrast to the object model command schema of claim 27, the “client  
2 side type generator” of Glass is one of various object generation processes of a  
3 server-side object request broker (ORB) (114) (col. 17, ln. 15-17). An ORB is  
4 programming that acts as a “broker” between a client request for a service from a  
5 distributed object or component and the completion of that request. The ORB  
6 allows a client program to request a service without knowing where the server is in  
7 a distributed network or the exact nature of the interface to the server program.  
8 Thus, Glass does not teach or suggest “an object model command schema” as  
9 recited in claim 1, because the “client side type generator” of Glass has no relation  
10 at all to an object model schema, but is instead, an object generation process of an  
11 object request broker (ORB).

12 In addition, Glass does not teach or suggest “an object model target  
13 schema” as recited in claim 1. The Office asserts that the “method of server object  
14 110” of Glass (col. 17, ln. 54-58, col. 18, ln. 47-53) teaches “an object model  
15 target schema” as recited in claim 1. However, a “method of server object 110” of  
16 Glass is not a schema in any respect. An object model target schema represents an  
17 enterprise through target objects in an object-oriented model that follows the  
18 industry standard CIM schema (Application specification, pg. 6, lns. 7-25). The  
19 CIM schema provides a way to express management information that relies on  
20 inheritance and other object-oriented features for the reuse and standardization of  
21 object classes representing system devices. Schemas make significant use of  
22 inheritance to allow applications to treat groups of similar objects in the same way.

23 By contrast, a method or methods of a “server object 110” in Glass, are  
24 merely procedures included in the server object. In general, methods provide  
25 instructions for manipulating an object based on relevant data in the object.

1 Methods are not schemas that represent target objects. The “method of server  
2 object 110” of Glass therefore does not teach “an object model target schema” as  
3 recited in claim 1. The Office points to nothing in either of the cited reference that  
4 teaches or suggests “an object model command schema” or “an object model  
5 target schema” as recited in claim 1.

6 Furthermore, there is no teaching or suggestion in Glass of “one or more  
7 commands generated by the command schema” or that such commands are  
8 “configured to operate against the target schema through the command line  
9 utility”. The Office again points to Glass at col. 17, ln. 50-58, and col. 18, ln. 47-  
10 55, to support its assertion that Glass teaches “one or more commands generated  
11 by the command schema and configured to operate against the target schema  
12 through the command line utility”. However, there simply is no such teaching  
13 found here or anywhere else in Glass. Glass states the following at col. 17, ln. 50-  
14 58:

15 Interface generator 250 and remote enabling classes without  
16 interfaces are discussed in the following section.

17 Client-side type generator 302 generates type object 170 using  
18 class information obtained from server object 110. Type object 170  
19 represents the class of server object 110 and includes an array of  
function objects 172 that provide access to the methods of server  
object 110.

20 At col. 18, ln. 47-55, Glass states the following:

21 Server-side function generator 314 generates function objects  
22 210 or specialized function objects such as EJBfunction objects 206.  
23 Function objects 210 or EJB function objects 206 correspond in  
24 number to the methods of server object 110. Each function object 210  
25 or EJB function object 206 directly invokes a corresponding method  
on server object 110. Each EJBfunction object 206 is instantiated  
from a standard EJBfunction class that provides common

1 functionality in addition to the functionality of function object 210.  
2 Unique functionality may be added to each EJBfunction object 206  
3 after it has been instantiated to provide for unique processing needs  
4 included in function object 210.

5 The Office provides nothing to suggest that there is any relationship at all  
6 between these cited passages in Glass and Applicant's claim 1, which recites "one  
7 or more commands generated by the command schema and configured to operate  
8 against the target schema through the command line utility". If this rejection is to  
9 be maintained, Applicant respectfully requests some explanation as to any such  
10 relationship in order that Applicant is afforded a full and fair opportunity to  
11 respond to this rejection. Furthermore, if the next Action maintains such rejection,  
12 Applicant additionally requests that such Action not be made final so that  
13 Applicant may have a full and fair opportunity to respond to the rejection.

14 Continuing with respect to claim 1, the Office admits at page 3 of the  
15 Office Action, that Glass does not teach "a correspondence as a mapping" (i.e., the  
16 "object model command schema to define a mapping" and the "mapping between  
17 one or more commands and an object model target schema" as recited in claim 1).  
18 Instead, the Office relies on Memmott for such teaching. The Office asserts that  
19 Memmott's "mapping of at least a portion of the query received in task into the  
20 namespace of the data provider indicated by the corresponding data provider  
21 identifier" at col. 5, ln. 50-55 and col. 9, ln. 64-68, teaches Applicant's claimed  
22 "object model command schema to define a mapping" and that such mapping is  
23 "mapping between one or more commands and an object model target schema".

24 Memmott teaches a system for managing data providers. A data requester  
25 forwards a query to a data resolver 120, which chooses a priority list of data  
providers 130 from a set of lists based on the characteristic of the query. The data

1 resolver 120 forwards a request to a data provider 130 in the list based on the  
2 query. The data resolver 120 receives data in response to the request and returns a  
3 response to the data requestor 110 based on the data. (col. 3, ln 7-62; col. 4, ln 1-  
4 21).

5 Regarding Applicant's claim 1, the Office has not pointed to anything in  
6 Memmott or any other reference that teaches or suggests an "object model  
7 command schema to define a mapping" or that such mapping is a "mapping  
8 between one or more commands and an object model target schema". The Office  
9 asserts that Memmott teaches "a mapping" at col. 5, ln. 50-55 and col. 9, ln. 64-68.  
10 However, as noted, Applicant's claim 1 recites "a mapping between one or more  
11 commands and an object model target schema". By contrast, Memmott teaches a  
12 string that represents a mapping between a portion of a query and a data provider  
13 identifier. This is not the same as "a mapping between one or more commands  
14 and an object model target schema". Furthermore, Memmott does not teach or  
15 suggest "an object model command schema to define a mapping" as recited in  
16 Applicant's claim 1. Like Glass, Memmott does not teach "an object model  
17 command schema" at all. Thus, it cannot fairly be said that Memmott teaches "an  
18 object model command schema to define a mapping". It further cannot fairly be  
19 said that Memmott teaches "an object model command schema to define a  
20 mapping between one or more commands and an object model target schema", as  
21 recited in Applicant's claim 1.

22 A prima facie case of obviousness requires that the prior art reference (or  
23 references when combined) must teach or suggest all the claim limitations (MPEP  
24 2142, 2143). However, it is clear from the above discussion, that various elements  
25 recited in Applicant's claim 1 are not taught or suggested by Glass and Memmott,

1 alone or in combination. Furthermore, the various elements discussed above and  
2 recited in Applicant's claim 1 are not taught or suggested by any other references  
3 relied upon by the Office. For at least the numerous reasons above showing that  
4 Glass and Memmott, alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest all the claim  
5 limitations of claim 1, a *prima facie* case of obviousness is not supported.  
6 Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the §103(a) rejection to claim 1 be  
7 removed.

8 **Claims 2-15** depend from claim 1 and therefore include the elements of  
9 claim 1. Therefore, claims 2-15 are allowable at least on the basis of this  
10 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither  
11 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully  
12 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 2-15 be removed.

13 **Independent claim 16** recites:

14 An object model schema embodied in one or more computer-  
15 readable media, the object model schema comprising:

16 an alias class to define alias instances, each alias  
17 instance representing a command;

18 a verb class to define verb instances, each verb instance  
19 representing behavior available through an alias instance;

20 a parameter class to define parameters accepted by a  
21 verb instance;

22 a format class to define format instances, each format  
23 instance having a list of properties to be displayed through an alias  
24 instance;

25 a property class to define property instances, each  
26 property instance representing a property value from a property list;

27 a connection class to define connection instances, each  
28 connection instance representing connection parameters used by an  
29 alias instance to establish a connection to the target schema;

30 a qualifier class to define qualifier instances, each  
31 qualifier instance representing constraints on elements of an alias  
32 instance;

33 a localized string class to define localized string

1 instances, each localized string instance representing a text  
2 localization for translating text into a localized language; and

3 a see-also association to associate an alias instance with  
4 other related alias instances.

5 On page 5 of the current Office Action, the Office rejects independent  
6 **claim 16** for the same reasons it rejects claim 12. Furthermore, the Office rejects  
7 claim 12 for the same reasons it rejects claims 2-8. Regarding claim 2, the Office  
8 asserts that Memmott teaches an alias class at col. 5, ln 18-30 and col. 4, ln 40-60.  
9 However, Memmott merely discusses query characteristics that indicate different  
10 classes, e.g., class 1 and class 2. Nowhere does Memmott teach or suggest “an  
11 alias class to define alias instances, each alias instance representing a command”  
12 as recited in Applicant’s claim 16. Thus, the rejection of claim 16 is not supported  
and should be removed.

13 Further regarding the rejection of claim 16, the Office asserts that with  
14 respect to claim 3, Memmott teaches a verb class, a format class, and a connection  
15 class as a subclass at col. 5, ln 17-30 and col. 4 ln 40-60. However, the words  
16 “verb class”, “format class”, and “connection class” do not appear in any form  
17 throughout the entire text of Memmott. Furthermore, there is no discussion  
18 whatsoever in Memmott that teaches, suggests, or implies a “verb class”, “format  
19 class”, or a “connection class”. As shown above, Applicant’s claim 16 recites,

20 a verb class to define verb instances, each verb instance  
21 representing behavior available through an alias instance;

22 a format class to define format instances, each format instance  
23 having a list of properties to be displayed through an alias instance;

24 a connection class to define connection instances, each  
25 connection instance representing connection parameters used by an  
alias instance to establish a connection to the target schema;

1 For the additional reasons that Memmott does not teach or suggest a “verb  
2 class to define verb instances, each . . .”, “format class to define format instances,  
3 each . . .”, or a “connection class to define connection instances, each . . .” as  
4 recited in Applicant’s claim 16, the rejection of claim 16 is not supported and  
5 should be removed.

6 Further regarding the rejection of claim 16, the Office asserts that with  
7 respect to claim 4, Memmott teaches at col. 5, ln 18-30, a parameter class as a  
8 subclass with each instance of the parameter class representing parameters.  
9 However, claim 16 recites,

10 a verb class to define verb instances, each verb instance  
11 representing behavior available through an alias instance;

12 a parameter class to define parameters accepted by a verb  
13 instance;

14 As noted above, Memmott does not teach or suggest “a verb class to define  
15 verb instances”. Thus, it cannot fairly be said that Memmott teaches “a parameter  
16 class to define parameters accepted by a verb instance”. Furthermore, the words  
17 “parameter class” do not appear in any form throughout the entire text of  
18 Memmott. Moreover, there is no discussion in Memmott that teaches, suggests, or  
19 implies a “parameter class to define parameters accepted by a verb instance”.  
20 Accordingly, for the additional reason that Memmott does not teach or suggest a  
21 “parameter class” as recited in Applicant’s claim 16, the rejection of claim 16 is  
22 not supported and should be removed.

23 Further regarding the rejection of claim 16, the Office asserts that with  
24 respect to claim 5, Memmott teaches at col. 5, ln 18-30, a property class as a  
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1 subclass to the format class with each instance of the property class representing a  
2 property value. With respect to a property class, claim 16 recites,

3 a format class to define format instances, each format instance  
4 having a list of properties to be displayed through an alias instance;  
5 a property class to define property instances, each property  
instance representing a property value from a property list;

6 First of all, there is no discussion or teaching in Memmott regarding a  
7 “format class to define format instances, each format instance having a list of  
8 properties to be displayed through an alias instance”. Thus, it cannot fairly be said  
9 that Memmott teaches “a property class to define property instances, each property  
10 instance representing a property value from a property list”. Furthermore, the  
11 words “property class”, “property instances”, “property list”, “format class”, etc.,  
12 do not appear in any form throughout the entire text of Memmott. Moreover, there  
13 is no discussion whatsoever in Memmott that teaches, suggests, or implies  
14 anything about a “property class”. Accordingly, for these additional reasons, the  
15 rejection of claim 16 is not supported and should be removed.

16 The very same arguments stated above regarding certain elements of claim  
17 16, can be equally applied to the various other elements of claim 16. That is,  
18 Memmott does not teach, suggest, or imply anything regarding elements including  
19 “a qualifier class”, “a localized string class”, or “a see-also association”.

20 For at least all the numerous reasons stated above, the rejection of claim 16  
21 is not supported. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection to  
22 claim 16 be removed.

1       Regarding independent **claim 17**, the Office rejects claim 17 for the same  
2 reasons it rejects claim 1. The elements of claim 17 parallel those discussed above  
3 with respect to claim 1. For example, claim 17 recites in part:

4                   a set of commands generated by an object model  
5 command schema to operate against an object model target schema,  
6 the command schema defining a mapping between the set of  
commands and the target schema; and

7                   an interface utility to facilitate implementation of  
individual commands within the set of commands.

8       Therefore, the reasoning stated herein above regarding the rejection of  
9 claim 1 is similarly applicable to the rejection of claim 17. For example, none of  
10 the cited references teaches or suggests “a set of commands generated by an object  
11 model command schema”. Accordingly, for at least the various reasons stated  
12 above regarding claim 1, Applicant respectfully submits that a *prima facie* case of  
13 obviousness is not supported with respect to claim 17. Applicant therefore  
14 respectfully requests that the §103(a) rejection to claim 17 be removed.

15       **Claims 18-23** depend from claim 17 and therefore include the elements of  
16 claim 17. Therefore, claims 18-23 are allowable at least on the basis of this  
17 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither  
18 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully  
19 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 18-23 be removed.

20       Regarding independent **claim 24**, the Office rejects claim 24 for the same  
21 reasons it rejects claims 1 and 9-12. Claim 24 recites the following:

22                   A management application embodied in one or more computer-  
23 readable media, the management application comprising:

24                   a first object model to control the configuration and  
25 behavior of the management application in operating against and  
managing a second object model.

1       Although the Office rejects claim 24 for the same reasons it rejects claims 1  
2 and 9-12, in its rejection of claim 1 and 9-12, the Office does not point out  
3 anything in any of the cited references that teach or suggest the elements of claim  
4 24. Furthermore, a thorough review of the cited references reveals that the  
5 references do not teach or suggest the elements of claim 24. Specifically, none of  
6 the cited references teaches or suggests at least “a first object model to control the  
7 configuration and behavior of the management application in operating against  
8 and managing a second object model” as recited in claim 24. Accordingly, the  
9 rejection of claim 24 cannot stand, and Applicant respectfully requests that the 35  
10 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claim 24 be removed.

11       **Claims 25-26** depend from claim 24 and therefore include the elements of  
12 claim 24. Therefore, claims 25-26 are allowable at least on the basis of this  
13 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither  
14 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully  
15 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 25-26 be removed.

16       The Office also rejects **claim 33** based on Glass and Memmott. Regarding  
17 independent claim 33, the Office rejects claim 33 for the same reasons it rejects  
18 claim 1. Claim 33 recites the following:

19       A method of managing objects in a target schema comprising:  
20           providing a user interface;  
21           defining a command structure through an object-oriented  
22           command schema, the command schema including an alias class;  
23           instantiating an object of the alias class as an alias by receiving  
24           parameters of the alias class through the user interface, the alias  
25           representing a command which maps to an object in the target  
          schema; and  
          executing the command against the object in the target schema.

1 To the extent elements of claim 33 parallel elements recited in claim 1 (e.g.,  
2 “defining a command structure through an object-oriented command schema, the  
3 command schema including an alias class”), arguments already presented above  
4 regarding the rejection of claim 1 apply similarly to the rejection of claim 33. For  
5 these reasons alone, claim 33 is allowable over Glass and Memmott and the  
6 rejection to claim 33 should be removed.

7 Furthermore, there is no teaching or suggestion in Glass and Memmott or  
8 any other cited reference of the various additional elements of claim 33, including,  
9 “instantiating an object of the alias class as an alias by receiving parameters of the  
10 alias class through the user interface”, or “the alias representing a command which  
11 maps to an object in the target schema”. The Office Action does not point to  
12 anything in the cited references that teaches or suggests these elements of claim  
13 33. Further, Applicant is unable to find any teaching or suggestion of such  
14 elements in any of the cited references. Accordingly, for these additional reasons,  
15 claim 33 is allowable over the cited references and the rejection to claim 33 should  
16 be removed.

17 The Office also rejects **claim 37** based on Glass and Memmott. Regarding  
18 independent claim 37, the Office rejects claim 37 for the same reasons it rejects  
19 claim 33. Accordingly, the same arguments regarding claim 33 from above apply  
20 equally to claim 37. Thus, for at least these same reasons, claim 37 is allowable  
21 over the cited references and the rejection to claim 37 should be removed.

22 The Office rejects **claims 27-32** under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being  
23 unpatentable over Memmott in view of Glass and further in view of Steve  
24 (Network and System Management with XML) (hereinafter, “Steve”). Applicant  
25 respectfully traverses the rejection.

1           **Claim 27** recites, in part, the following:

2           receiving a command through a command line interface;  
3           fetching an alias for the command;  
4           interpreting the command based on the alias and the current  
5           operating environment of the command line interface;  
6           executing the command as one or more WMI API calls against  
7           a target namespace;  
8           receiving WMI data in XML form;  
9           applying an XSL style sheet format the WMI data; and  
10           presenting the WMI data through the command line interface.

11           Regarding **claim 27**, the Office asserts that Memmott teaches all the  
12           elements of claim 27 except the “WMI API”. The Office points to Memmott at  
13           various locations in cols. 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9. However, Memmott does not teach  
14           or suggest “fetching an alias for the command”, where the “command” is received  
15           “through a command line interface”, as generally recited in claim 27. The Office  
16           does not point to anything in Memmott or any other reference that teaches or  
17           suggests such elements. In addition, Memmott does not teach or suggest  
18           “interpreting the command based on the alias and the current operating  
19           environment of the command line interface”, where the “command” is received  
20           “through a command line interface” and the “alias” is fetched “for the command”.  
21           In addition, Memmott does not teach or suggest “executing the command as one or  
22           more WMI API calls against a target namespace”, where the “command” is  
23           received “through a command line interface”. In addition, Memmott does not  
24           teach or suggest “receiving WMI data in XML form”, or “applying an XSL style  
25           sheet format the WMI data”, or “presenting the WMI data through the command  
line interface”, all as recited in Applicant’s claim 27. The Office has not pointed

1 to anything in Memmott or any other reference that teaches or suggests these  
2 elements as recited in claim 27.

3 The Office is invited to point to *specific locations* in Memmott or within  
4 any of the other cited references, where such elements of claim 27 are taught,  
5 suggested, or implied in any way. Applicant respectfully submits that such  
6 teachings, suggestions, or implications, do not exist in any of the cited references.  
7 Accordingly, the rejection of claim 27 cannot stand, and Applicant respectfully  
8 requests that the §103(a) rejection of claim 27 be removed.

9 Furthermore, regarding claim 27, the Office admits that Memmott and  
10 Glass do not teach an XSL style sheet, and refers to Steve (pg. 4 of 8, ln. 38-45 to  
11 page 5 of 8, ln. 1-8) for support of such teaching. The Office asserts that Steve  
12 teaches a command line and an XSL style sheet. Steve provides a very broad  
13 statement regarding “Network and Systems Management with XML”. Included in  
14 Steve are general discussions of CIM and XML. Steve mentions on pg 4, ln 38 -  
15 pg 5, ln 8, that “A forthcoming new standard . . . is the Extensible Style Language  
16 (XSL)” and that “a command-line interface could be displayed as a style-sheet-  
17 defined view . . . expressed with XML”. However, claim 27 recites “fetching an  
18 alias for the command”, where the “command” is received “through a command  
19 line interface”. Such elements are not taught or suggested by Steve, and as noted  
20 above, are also not taught or suggested by the other cited references. Claim 27  
21 further recites, “interpreting the command based on the alias and the current  
22 operating environment of the command line interface”, where the “command” is  
23 received “through a command line interface” and the “alias” is fetched “for the  
24 command”. Claim 27 also recites, “executing the command as one or more WMI  
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1 API calls against a target namespace”, where the “command” is received “through  
2 a command line interface”. Steve does not teach or suggest these elements.

3 For these additional reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that a prima  
4 facie case of obviousness is not supported with regard to Applicant’s claim 27, and  
5 respectfully requests that the §103(a) rejection to claim 27 be removed.

6 **Claims 28-32** depend from claim 27 and therefore include the elements of  
7 claim 27. Therefore, claims 28-32 are allowable at least on the basis of this  
8 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither  
9 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully  
10 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 28-32 be removed.

11 The Office also rejects **claims 34-36** under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly  
12 being unpatentable over Glass in view of Memmott and further in view of Steve.  
13 Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

14 As noted above regarding claim 33, Glass and Memmott fail to teach or  
15 suggest the elements of claim 33. Applicant further notes that Steve does not  
16 remedy the deficiencies of Glass and Memmott and that claim 33 is allowable over  
17 the combination of these 3 references.

18 **Claims 34-36** depend from claim 33 and therefore include the elements of  
19 claim 33. Therefore, claims 34-36 are allowable at least on the basis of this  
20 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither  
21 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully  
22 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 34-36 be removed.

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1      **Conclusion**

2      All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully  
3      requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the subject application. If any  
4      issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to  
5      contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

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8      Respectfully Submitted,

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